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IN RE APPLICATION OF: Richard J. BUCALA, et al. GAU: 1644
SERIAL NO: 09/557,823 EXAMINER: Patrick J. Nolan
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FOR: INHIBITION OF MIGRATION INHIBITORY FACTOR IN THE
TREATMENT OF DISEASES INVOLVING CYTOKINE-MEDIATED
TOXICITY

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

SIR:

Prior to examination of the above-identified application, and to advance the prosecution thereof, please amend the above-referenced application in the following manner.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification as follows:

At page 1, delete in its entirety the first full paragraph added by the Amendment filed on April 12, 2002, and insert therefor the following:

--This application claims priority from application Serial No. 08/471,586, filed June 6, 1995, now Patent No. 6,080,407, issued June 27, 2000; which is a divisional application of Serial No. 08/462,350, filed June 5, 1995, now abandoned; which is continuation-in-part of Serial No. 08/243,342, filed May 16, 1994, now abandoned, which is a continuation-in-part of Serial No. 08/063,399, filed May 17, 1993, now abandoned. The entirety of the aforementioned applications are incorporated herein by reference. --